

Big Bone Lick State Historic Site

July 23-26, 2015

Welcome to Big Bone Lick State Historic Site! The park's Program Services staff provides safe and enjoyable outdoor experiences for all park visitors. Our goal is to enhance the visitor experience by sharing the park's unique prehistory, interpreting its natural resources, and providing a variety of purely recreational offerings.

All activities are FREE unless otherwise noted (\$).

Children 12 & under must be accompanied by an adult at all activities.

A minimum of 3 participants are required per program.

Staff Listing:

Park Program Services Supervisor: Ossana Wolff Interpretive Staff: Claire Kolkmeyer

ALL TIMES ARE Eastern Standard (EST)

Thursday July 23, 2015

1:00 P.M. <u>Hydro-Hike:</u> Cool off from this weekend with a walk through the creek. Join Interpretive

staff for a guided hydro-hike through Big Bone Creek with a stop at the park's largest

salt spring.

Location: Visitor Center/Museum

Approx Time: 30 Minutes Ages: All Ages

*NOTE: This hike may be canceled due to safety concerns such as high water or storms.

3:00 P.M. Make-and-Take FlutterFlies: Whether it is a butterfly, dragonfly or a damselfly it

definitely flutters and brings a smile to our faces. This fun craft uses simple supplies to make a cloth pin butterfly and dragon- (or damsel-) fly for you to take home and enjoy.

Location: Recreation Shelter

Approx Time: 45 minutes Ages: All Ages





Friday July 24, 2015

10:00 A.M. Bison Social: Join Park Staff, for a meet and greet of our Bison herd. This is a great chance to learn about the natural history of the bison and why we have a herd here. There will be lots of things to discover and even touch. Meet staff at the Bison Viewing Area anytime between 10:00 and 11:30 A.M.

Location: Following the Bison observation trail to the Bison Viewing Area

Approx Time: 1.5 Hours **Ages:** All Ages

1:00 P.M. <u>Ice Cream in a Bag:</u> Did you know you can make delicious ice cream with just a handful of ingredients? Well come down to the Recreation Shelter and learn how to make this awesome summer treat: Ice Cream in a Bag!

Location: Recreation Shelter

Approx Time: 30 Minutes Ages: All Ages

*Dairy allergy

4:00 P.M. Big Bone Putt-Putt Tournament: Do you have what it takes to be the top Big Bone putter? Bring your best putting skills to the Big Bone Lick mini-golf course and compete to see who can get the best score and win the gold! Top three scores will win a prize.

Location: Campground Store

Approx Time: 1 Hour **Ages:** All Ages

Fee: 5&under Free, up to 12 \$2.50, Adults \$3.50

9:00 P.M. Tour the Stars: Have you ever wondered what the galaxies actually look like from earth? What about the distant stars you can't see with the naked eye? Join Big Bone Lick staff with Dr. Bresser & Dr. Vogler from Northern Kentucky University for a tour of the stars.

Location: Outside Campground Store **Approx Time:** 1-1.5 hours **Ages:** All Ages

Saturday July 25, 2015

10:00 A.M. Solar Observation: What does the sun really look like? Join Big Bone Lick staff with Dr. Bresser & Dr. Vogler from Northern Kentucky University for a special solar observation opportunity. There will be a telescope for viewing the sun. *Weather dependent

Location: Between the Visitor Center/Museum and Old Nature Center

Approx Time: 1-1.5 hours Ages: All Ages

10:30 A.M. Make-and-Take Nature Print Pictures: This cool paper creates pictures with just sun light and water. Join the Interpretive Staff as we search for interesting objects to "photograph". Each participant will create a "picture" and take it home to put on the fridge.

Location: Visitor Center/Museum

Approx Time: 30 Minutes Ages: All Ages





11:30 P.M. <u>Hike the Coralberry:</u> Big Bone Lick SHS is a great place to enjoy the outdoors. Join Interpretive Staff for a hike on the Coralberry Trail, the Park's longest trail. Along the way we will discover the nature of Big Bone and the great outdoors.

Location: Meet at the Lake Parking Lot

Approx Time: 1-1.5 Hours Ages: All Ages Length: 2 miles, moderate difficulty

Make sure to bring Water!

Tobacco Walking Sticks (\$): Come decorate your own piece of Kentucky heritage, the tobacco stick. These sticks were used to hang and dry tobacco on farms all over Kentucky. Today they make awesome walking sticks! You can paint, wood burn and feather your own special tobacco stick.

Location: Recreation Shelter

Approx Time: 1 Hour **Ages:** All Ages **Fee:** \$4 per walking stick

5:00 P.M. Snow Cone Social: When it is hot, hot outside, a tasty snow cone will help cool you off. Stop by the Campground Pool for ice cold snow cone.

Location: Campground Pool

Approx Time: 45 Minutes Ages: All Ages

Sunday July 26, 2015

11:00 A.M. Fossil Hunter: This area is known for being the birthplace of American Vertebrate Paleontology but it is also a premier Ordovician fossil location. This program will uncover the story of the park's Ordovician fossils. We will talk about how this area became a premier fossil site, how the ancient invertebrates that lived here became fossils, and most importantly hone our fossil hunting skills. Participants will have the opportunity to handle and identify fossils found on the park.

Location: Visitor Center/Museum

Approx Time: 45 Minutes Ages: All Ages

1:00 P.M. Atlatl, Prehistoric Weapon of Choice: Prehistoric people came up with a rather ingenious device in order to hunt for large animals and for protection. The device, called an atlatl allowed a person to throw a long dart up to several hundred yards. Join the Park Interpreter to learn more about the atlatl and see how far you can throw an atlatl dart. *All children under 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult.

Location: Outside Visitor Center/Museum

Approx Time: 45 Minutes **Ages:** 8+ to throw*, all ages to watch

Hike along the Big Bone Creek Interpretive Trail to enjoy nature or take a walk.

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Pool Hours Campground Guests Only

10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Gift Shop

Check out our gift shop to buy t-shirts, pottery, toys, specialty candies, and KY Handcrafted products.

Upcoming Special Programs

AUGUST 13, 2015 - Fishing Derby

Join Big Bone Lick SHS Staff and KY Fish&Wildlife Staff for a day of fishing.

Fishing poles and bait provided, registration preferred. All ages are invited, 16+ must have a valid KY fishing license.

Meet us at the Lake Parking lot at 10 A.M.





